

Concerned citizens plan protest at MPP's office over offender

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The citizen's group formed to oppose a dangerous offender living in King plans to take their protest to the door of MPP Dr. Helena Jaczek.

The Incarcerate Sex Offenders in Society (iSOSnow.ca) was initially created by a group of individuals to be used as a vehicle to spread information quickly throughout the community.

The group, will visit Jaczek's office at 137 Main Street North, Suite 204, Markham, Feb. 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Jaczek is also Minister of Community and Social Services and the group wants her to remove Keith Constantin from the rural Schomberg area facility.

Let's stand up to her, so (the ministry) reconsiders opening up a place for criminals in our community.

The group contends the group home where Konstantin lives has no trained corrections officers on site. Since it's not close to any police station, response time to the area is estimated at 30 minutes.

We want to hear by Helena Jaczek feels Christian Horizons is qualified to house these types of offenders ... the group wrote on its Facebook page.

We want to know what the future plans are for this facility, as it affects all the residents.

Keith Theodore Constantin was placed in a rural facility outside of Schomberg in December. Constantin was released following a four-year jail term for sexual assault with a weapon, and an 18-month term for violating his curfew conditions. His rap sheet includes sexually assaulting a seven-year old boy, sexually assaulting a 45-year-old blind woman, robbing two variety stores with a starter pistol, and raping and beating a woman at knife-point.

He is currently under strict supervision and the York Regional Police High-Risk Offender Unit and the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services Probation and Parole Office will continue to monitor his activities.